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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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WELDING ELECTRODE AND METHOD FOR REDUCING MANGANESE IN FUME

described and claimed

X_	in the attached specification;
	in the specification filed,
	as U.S. Application Serial No.
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as filed and as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

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